

MEETING OF
THE DELAWARE AGRICULTURAL LANDS PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

A meeting of the Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation was held at the Delaware Department of Agriculture, 2320 S. DuPont Hwy. Dover, Delaware, September 15, 2010, with the following members in attendance:

Robert F. Garey, Chairman	Kevin Coyle representing Collin O'Mara, Secretary of DNREC
Allen Messick, Jr., Treasurer	Ed Kee, Secretary of Agriculture
Michael Valenti representing Steven Ditmer	Theodore P. Bobola, Jr.

Absent: Lyn Davenport, Velda Jones-Potter., William Vanderwende, and Ray Staats.

The following staff members were in attendance: Michael McGrath, Howard Mesick, Milton Melendez, Cathy Mesick, Kathi Spangler, and Robin West.

Others in attendance: F. Michael Parkowski and Mr. Michael Riemann from Becker Morgan.

Chairman Garey opened the meeting at 8:40 a.m. with prayer. The meeting started as an informational meeting as we were one short of a quorum. At 8:45 a.m. a quorum was achieved when Mr. Theodore P. Bobola, Jr. arrived.

I. Expansion Eligibility & Final Approval:

1. Jones-Wells Expansion of the Sycamore Farms, Inc. District, ID#S-10-06-144C. After discussion, **Kevin Coyle moved to accept for eligibility/final approval the Jones-Wells Expansion of the Sycamore Farms, Inc. District, seconded by Theodore P. Bobola, Jr. Motion unanimously approved.**

II. Secretary of Agriculture's Veto – Secretary Edwin Kee waived his veto.

III. Minutes:

Chairman Garey asked if there were any comments or changes to the August 18, 2010, minutes. Hearing none, the Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes. **Ed Kee moved to approve the August 18th minutes, seconded by Kevin Coyle. Motion unanimously approved.**

IV. Financial Highlights:

Howard Mesick informed the Foundation Board that we had, as of August 31, 2010, \$610,065.28 in the Foundation's interest bearing State of Delaware account. Income for the month of August consisted of \$92.68 from Sussex County rollback taxes and \$735.00 from license plates. Expenditures for the month of August totaled \$33,771.13. After discussion **Ed Kee moved to approve the August 2010 financial statement as presented, seconded by Kevin Coyle. Motion unanimously approved.**

V. Public Comments – There were no public comments.

VI. Executive Session – Mr. Parkowski indicated that there was no need for an executive session.

VII. Other Business:

1. Short Expansion of the Mitchell-Quillen District, ID#K-97-05-088C. Application to approve a temporary construction easement.

Mr. Michael Riemann from Becker Morgan presented the request for the temporary construction easement. The easement would run for five years, however, there would be an actual 6 months for the construction. The easement would be for a strip of land 10 foot wide running for 522 feet. Discussion followed. Mr. Michael Parkowski assured the Board that this request fit within the Foundation guidelines. After additional discussion, **Ed Kee moved to accept as presented the request for a temporary construction easement, seconded by Allen Messick, Jr. Motion unanimously approved.**

2. Secretary Ed Kee commended Michael McGrath on his comments at the State Fair this year.
3. Michael McGrath responded to Chairman Garey's question concerning the audit fees. We are currently still in negotiations with the Auditor's Office concerning the audit fees.

VIII. Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Foundation, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m. The next meeting of the Foundation will be held on October 20, 2010 at the Delaware Department of Agriculture, Secretary's Conference Room, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Garey
Chairman